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REFERENCE:

NEW MILITARY CONSTRUCTION XUAN SON, NORTH VIETNAM 20-49N 106-35E 25X1

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS A NEWLY IDENTIFIED PROBABLE BARRACKS AREA UNDER CONSTRUCTION NEAR HAIPHONG/KIEN AN AIRFIELD.

2. LOCATION:

6.0 NAUTICAL MILES (NM) SOUTHWEST OF HAIPHONG COMPLEX NEAR THE VILLAGE OF XUAN SON

3. MISSION READOUT: PHOTOGRAPHY FROM

REVEALS A 25X1

PROBABLE BARRACKS AREA UNDER CONSTRUCTION APPROXIMATELY 0.2 NM FROM ROUTE 10 AND THE VILLAGE OF XUAN SON. THE ACTIVITY/CONSTRUCTION CONSISTS OF THREE AREAS, ALL OF WHICH ARE ADJACENT TO ROUTE 10.

AREA A CONTAINS FIFTY SEVEN BARRACKS/ADMINISTRATION BUILDINGS (NOT ALL SHOWN ON GRAPHIC) SIX OF WHICH ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION, NUMEROUS WELLS, LATRINES, MILITARY MARKINGS ON THE GROUND BY THE BARRACKS, AND A BASKETBALL COURT (NOT SHOWN ON GRAPHIC) DISTINGUISHING THIS FROM A CIVILIAN COMPLEX.

AREA B CONTAINS THREE LARGE AND ONE SMALL WAREHOUSE BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION

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MATERIAL TO OPEN STORAGE. TWO CARGO TRUCKS, ONE OF WHICH IS LOADING LUMBER, AND TWO TRACTORS ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE STORAGE AREA.

AREA C (NOT SHOWN ON GRAPHIC) CONTAINS A PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
STORAGE AREA WITH 12 25 MT POL TANKS PARTIALLY UNDER GROUND AND 10 25 MT POL TANKS
ABOVE GROUND, TWO STEAM SHOVELS, A BULLDOZER (APPARENTLY LEVELING GROUND FOR FUTURE
POL BUNKERS), AND A BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION ARE LOCATED IN THE POL STORAGE AREA.

A COMPARISION OF PHOTOGRAPHY FROM 25X1

REVEALS A PORTION OF AREA A. FIVE DESTROYED BUILDINGS OVERGROWN WITH VEGETATION,

CULTIVATED FIELDS, AND FOOT PATHS WERE THE ONLY TRACES OF HABITATION AT THIS TIME.

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